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§19.34 Computation of effective tax rate.

- (a) The proprietor shall compute the effective tax rate for distilled spirits containing eligible wine or eligible flavors as the ratio of the numerator and denominator as follows:
 - (1) The numerator will be the sum of:
- (i) The proof gallons of all distilled spirits used in the product (exclusive of distilled spirits derived from eligible flavors), multiplied by the tax rate prescribed by 26 U.S.C. 5001;
- (ii) The wine gallons of each eligible wine used in the product, multiplied by the tax rate prescribed by 26 U.S.C. 5041(b)(1), (2), or (3), which would be imposed on the wine but for its removal to bonded premises; and
- (iii) The proof gallons of all distilled spirits derived from eligible flavors used in the product, multiplied by the tax rate prescribed by 26 U.S.C. 5001, but only to the extent that such distilled spirits exceed $2\frac{1}{2}\%$ of the denominator prescribed in paragraph (a)(2) of this section.
- (2) The denominator will be the sum of:
- (i) The proof gallons of all distilled spirits used in the product, including

distilled spirits derived from eligible flavors; and

- (ii) The wine gallons of each eligible wine used in the product, multiplied by twice the percentage of alcohol by volume of each, divided by 100.
- (b) In determining the effective tax rate, quantities of distilled spirits, eligible wine, and eligible flavors will be expressed to the nearest tenth of a proof gallon. The effective tax rate may be rounded to as many decimal places as the proprietor deems appropriate, provided that, such rate is expressed no less exactly than the rate rounded to the nearest whole cent, and the effective tax rates for all products will be consistently expressed to the same number of decimal places. In such case, if the number is less than five it will be dropped; if it is five or over, a unit will be added.
- (c) The following is an example of the use of the formula.

BATCH RECORD

| Distilled spirits | | | | 2249.1 proof |
|-------------------|------|------|---------|--------------|
| | | | | gallons. |
| Eligible | wine | (14% | alcohol | 2265.0 wine |
| by volume). | | | | gallons. |
| Eligible | wine | (19% | alcohol | 1020.0 wine |
| by volume). | | | | gallons. |
| Eligible flavors | | | | 100.9 proof |
| | | | | gallons. |

$$\frac{2249.1 (\$13.50) + 2265.0 (\$1.07) + 1020 (\$1.57) + 16.6^{1} (\$13.50)}{2249.1 + 100.9 + (2265.0 \times .28) + (1020 \times .38)} =$$

$$\frac{\$30,362.85+\$2,423.55+\$1,601.40+\$224.10}{2,350.0+634.2+387.6} =$$

$$\frac{$34,611.90}{3,371.8}$$
 = \$10.27, the effective tax rate.

 1Proof gallons by which distilled spirits derived from eligible flavors exceed 2%%) of the total proof gallons in the batch $(100.9-(2\%\%)\times3,371.8=16.6).$

(Sec. 6, Pub. L. 96-598, 94 Stat. 3488, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5010))

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§ 19.35 Application of effective tax rate (Actual).

Any proprietor who does not apply effective tax rates to taxable removals in accordance with §§ 19.36, 19.37 or 19.38 shall establish an effective tax rate for

each batch of distilled spirits in the processing account on which credit against tax is desired for alcohol derived from eligible wine or eligible flavors. The effective tax rate will be computed in accordance with §19.34 and will be recorded on the dump or batch record for the product, as required by §19.748. The serial numbers of the cases removed at such rate shall be recorded on the record of tax determination prescribed in §19.761 or other related record available for examination by any appropriate TTB officer.

(Sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 284 (26 U.S.C. 5207); Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201); Sec 6, Pub. L. 96-598, 94 Stat. 3488, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5010))

§ 19.36 Standard effective tax rate.

- (a) The proprietor may establish a permanent standard effective tax rate for any eligible distilled spirits product based on the least quantity and the lowest alcohol content of eligible wine or eligible flavors used in the manufacture of the product. The permanent standard effective tax rate must equal the highest tax rate applicable to the product. The proprietor shall maintain a permanent record of the standard effective tax rate established for each product in accordance with §19.765. Whenever the proprietor manufactures a batch of the product with a lesser quantity or lower alcohol content of eligible wine or eligible flavor, he shall keep the cased goods segregated from other completed cases of the same product and shall tax determine the product in accordance with §19.35.
- (b) If the appropriate TTB officer finds that the use of this procedure jeopardizes the revenue or causes administrative difficulty, the proprietor shall discontinue the use of the procedure

(Sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 284 (26 U.S.C. 5207); Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201); Sec. 6, Pub. L. 96-598, 94 Stat. 3488, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5010))

§ 19.37 Average effective tax rate.

(a) The proprietor may establish an average effective tax rate for any eligible distilled spirits product based on the total proof gallons in all batches of the same composition which have been produced during the preceding 6-month

period and which have been or will be bottled or packaged, in whole or in part, for domestic consumption. At the beginning of each month, the proprietor shall recompute the average effective tax rate so as to include only the immediately preceding 6-month period. The average effective tax rate established for a product will be shown in the record of average effective tax rates prescribed in §19.763.

(b) If the appropriate TTB officer finds that the use of this procedure jeopardizes the revenue or causes administrative difficulty, the proprietor shall discontinue the use of this procedure.

(Sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 284 (26 U.S.C. 5207); Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201); Sec. 6, Pub. L. 96-598, 94 Stat. 3488, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5010))

§19.38 Inventory reserve account.

- (a) The proprietor may establish an inventory reserve account for any eligible distilled spirits product by maintaining an inventory reserve record as prescribed by 19.764. The effective tax rate applied to each removal or other disposition will be the effective tax rate recorded on the inventory reserve record from which the removal or other disposition is depleted.
- (b) If the appropriate TTB officer finds that the use of this procedure jeopardizes the revenue or causes administrative difficulty, the proprietor shall discontinue the use of this procedure

(Sec. 807, Pub. L. 96-39, 93 Stat. 284 (26 U.S.C. 5207); Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1356, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5201); Sec. 6, Pub. L. 96-598, 94 Stat. 3488, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5010))

CLAIMS

§ 19.41 Claims on spirits, denatured spirits, articles, or wines lost or destroyed in bond.

- (a) Claims for remission. All claims for remission of tax required by this part, relating to the destruction or loss of spirits, denatured spirits, articles, or wines in bond, shall be filed with the appropriate TTB officer and shall set forth the following:
- (1) Identification (including serial numbers if any) and location of the container or containers from which the